UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Hon. Jose L. Linares

v.

Criminal No. 09-245 (JLL)

KAMAU MUNTASIR

CONTINUANCE ORDER

This matter having come before the Court on the joint application of Christopher J. Christie, United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey (by R. Joseph Gribko, Assistant U.S. Attorney), and defendant KAMAU MUNTASIR, (by Linwood Jones, Esq.) for an order granting a continuance of the proceedings in the above-captioned matter, and the defendant being aware that he has the right to have the matter brought to trial within 70 days of the date of his appearance before a judicial officer of this court pursuant to Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 3161(c)(1), and as the defendant has consented to such a continuance, and for good and sufficient cause shown,

IT IS THE FINDING OF THIS COURT that this action should be continued for the following reasons:

- 1. Plea negotiations are currently in progress, and both the United States and the defendant desire additional time to negotiate a plea agreement, which would render any trial of this matter unnecessary;
 - 2. Additional time is necessary in which to negotiate a plea agreement;
 - 3. Defendant has consented to the aforementioned continuance;

4. Pursuant to Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 3161(h)(8), the ends of justice served by granting the continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

WHEREFORE, on this day of June, 2009,

IT IS ORDERED that defendant's motions, if any, are due August 10, 2009; the government's response, if any, is due on August 24, 2009; the hearing on any motion will be on September 8, 2009; and the trial is scheduled for September 22, 2009; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the period from June 5, 2009, through September 22, 2009, shall be excludable in computing time under the Speedy Trial Act of 1974, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3161(h)(8).

HOM. JOSE L. LINARES United States District Judge